

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. **(Currently Amended)** A facade anchoring device, comprising:

~~Device for the fastening of facade plates with a~~ holding element configured to have a threaded bar extending from a first end thereof~~holding element,~~

~~wherein, on its first end located near the threaded bar, the holding element has an annular space with a wall made of an elastic material,~~

~~wherein a channel extends from the annular space to a second end at a distance from the threaded bar~~first end, and

~~wherein a valve is provided disposed on the second end, with which valve theis configured to close the channel can be closed.~~

2. (Previously Presented) Device as defined in claim 1, wherein the holding element has a larger diameter on the second end than on the first end.

3. (Previously Presented) Device as defined in claim 1, wherein the holding element tapers conically from the second end to the first end.

4. (Previously Presented) Device as defined in claim 1, wherein the holding element is one-piece and made of plastic.

5. (Previously Presented) Device as defined in claim 1, wherein the annular space has a radially surrounding recess on the first end.

6. **(Currently Amended)** Device as defined in claim 1, wherein an elastic tube ~~is located on~~surrounds the holding element, and a part thereof forms the elastic wall on the first end of the holding element.

7. **(Currently Amended)** Device as defined in ~~claim 1~~claim 6, wherein the elastic tube, ~~preferably made of silicon,~~ forms the wall of the annular space.

8. **(Currently Amended)** Device as defined in ~~claim 1~~claim 6, wherein the elastic tube extends essentially over the entire axial length of the holding element.
9. **(Currently Amended)** Device as defined in ~~claim 1~~claim 6, wherein the elastic tube is fastened on a flange located on the first end of the holding element via a mounting element, ~~preferably a tube binder.~~
10. (Previously Presented) Device as defined in claim 1, wherein an undercut projection is provided on the second end.
11. (Previously Presented) Device as defined in claim 1, wherein a central recess is provided on the second end.
12. **(Currently Amended)** ~~A method~~Method of fastening façade plates ~~using according to the device as defined in one of the preceding claims of claim 1, with the following steps comprising:~~
- a) ~~Make~~making a bored ~~hole~~ hole extending into a supporting wall and reaching through the façade plate.
 - b) ~~Widen~~widening the radius of the reach-through bored hole reaching through the façade plate in the vicinity of a visible side of the façade plate,
 - c) ~~Install~~installing a dowel in the bored hole made in the supporting wall using a hardenable mass,
 - d) ~~Insert~~inserting the threaded bar into the dowel so that the holding element lies on the inner circumference of the reach-through bored hole,
 - e) ~~Screw~~screwing in the device and mount to the façade plate,
 - f) ~~Inject~~injecting a viscoplastic hardenable mass via the valve so that the wall surrounding the annular space is widened and the holding element is thereby held in the reach-through bored hole.
13. (Previously Presented) Method as defined in claim 12, wherein the radius of the reach-through bored hole is conically widened.

14. (Previously Presented) Method as defined in claim 12, wherein an epoxy resin is used as the viscoplastic hardenable mass.
15. (Previously Presented) Method as defined in claim 12, wherein an opening of the reach-through bored hole remaining on the visible side of the façade plate is closed after the hardening of the viscoplastic hardenable mass.
16. **(Currently Amended)** Method as defined in ~~claim 12~~claim 15, wherein the opening is closed with a cover or a mass containing a binding agent.
17. **(New)** The device according to claim 1, wherein the annular space is delimited by an inner wall and an outer wall.
18. **(New)** The device according to claim 1, wherein the holding element has a conical surface and a flange at a front end thereof, the elastic material extends from a rear side of the holding element to the flange, and the valve is located at the rear side.